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TITLE
 Device predicting a branch of an instruction equivalent to a subroutine return and a method thereof

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